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1. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:

monitoring a state of a[[n]] <u>multi-threaded</u> application running in a system, including monitoring one or more <u>and a</u> buffer[[s]] associated with the <u>multi-threaded</u> application,

wherein each thread includes one or more activities to be executed by the system;

monitoring a machine state of the system, including determining the availability of

configurable hardware components in the system, wherein the configurable hardware

components include at least a processor that to perform[[s]] simultaneous multi-threading and

[[a]] the buffer;

coordinating dispatch of a plurality of threads of the multi-threaded application in the

system at least in part to increase execution overlap of the threads, wherein at least one of the

threads is associated with the application activities executing in the system based, at least in

part, on the availability of the buffer;

dynamically adjusting one or more of the frequency or the voltage applied to the

processor based, at least in part, on the state of the application and the state of availability of

the buffer and the coordination of the dispatch of the threads; and

dynamically adjusting the buffer size based, at least in part, on the state of the

application and the state of the threads in the system adjusted voltage or frequency applied to

the processor and the coordination of the dispatch of the threads.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein a thread includes one or more

activities, and wherein said coordinating dispatch of the threads in the system of the multi-

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 $\underline{\text{threaded application}}$ includes assessing execution readiness of the one or more activities $\underline{\text{of}}$

each thread.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, wherein said coordinating dispatch of

the threads in the system of the multi-threaded application includes delaying a ready-to-be-

dispatched activity from being dispatched.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 3, wherein a first activity is delayed from

being dispatched to wait for a second activity to be ready so that both the first and second

activities can be are dispatched together, and wherein the first and second activities are from one

or more applications.

5-6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[6]]1, further comprising

wherein the determining the availability of configurable hardware components further

include, including hardware buffers, memory, cache, an arithmetic logic unit (ALU), and

registers in the system, wherein coordinating dispatch of the threads of the multi-threaded

application is further based on the availability of the configurable hardware components.

8-9. (Cancelled)

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the processor includes powering on or powering off at least a portion of circuitry in the system.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said monitoring the one or more

buffer[[s]] associated with the <u>multi-threaded</u> application includes monitoring buffer fullness

levels of the one or more buffer[[s]].

12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein said monitoring the buffer

fullness levels includes, for each buffer associated with the application, comparing [[a]] the

buffer level with predetermined buffer fullness levels, wherein the predetermined buffer fullness

levels include a high level mark and a low level mark.

13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12, wherein said comparing is to determine

the buffer level includes determining buffer overflow and buffer underflow conditions based,

at least in part, on the high level mark and the low level mark.

14. (Currently Amended) A computer readable storage medium containing executable

instructions which, when executed in a processing system, causes the processing system to

perform a method comprising:

monitoring a state of a[[n]] multi-threaded application running in a system, including

monitoring one or more and a buffer[[s]] associated with the multi-threaded application,

wherein each thread includes one or more activities to be executed by the system;

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monitoring a machine state of the system, including determining the availability of

configurable hardware components in the system, wherein the configurable hardware

components include at least a processor that to perform[[s]] simultaneous multi-threading and

[[a]] the buffer;

coordinating dispatch of a plurality of threads of the multi-threaded application in the

system at least in part to increase execution overlap of the threads, wherein at least one of the

threads is associated with the application activities executing in the system based, at least in

part, on the availability of the buffer;

dynamically adjusting one or more of the frequency or the voltage applied to the

processor based, at least in part, on the state of the application and the state of availability of

the buffer and the coordination of the dispatch of the threads; and

dynamically adjusting the buffer size based, at least in part, on the state of the

application and the state of the threads in the system adjusted voltage or frequency applied to

the processor and the coordination of the dispatch of the threads.

15. (Currently Amended) The computer readable storage medium of claim 14, wherein said

coordinating dispatch of the threads in the system of the multi-threaded application includes

delaying a ready-to-be-dispatched activity from being dispatched.

16-18. (Cancelled)

19. (Currently Amended) The computer readable storage medium of claim 14,

wherein monitoring the buffer associated with the multi-threaded application includes

monitoring buffer fullness levels of the buffer, and wherein said monitoring the buffer fullness
levels includes, for each buffer associated with the application, comparing [[a]] the buffer level
with predetermined buffer fullness levels, wherein the predetermined buffer fullness levels

include a high level mark and a low level mark.

20-38. (Cancelled)

39. (Currently Amended) A system, comprising:

a memory to store data and instructions;

a processor coupled to said memory on a bus, said processor operable to perform instructions, said processor comprising to include a bus unit to receive a sequence of instructions from said memory;

an execution unit coupled to said bus unit, said execution unit to execute said sequence of instructions, said sequence of instructions to cause said execution unit to:

monitor a state of a[[n]] <u>multi-threaded</u> application running in a system; including monitoring buffer fullness-levels of one or more buffers associated with the <u>multi-threaded</u> application, wherein each thread includes one or more activities to be <u>executed by the system</u>;

monitor a machine state of the system, including determining determine the availability of configurable hardware components in the system, wherein the configurable hardware components include at least a processor that to perform[[s]] simultaneous multi-threading and [[a]] the buffer,

Application No.: 10/774,178 Attorney Docket No.: 42P16115 Examiner: ARCOS Art Unit: 2195 coordinate dispatch of a plurality of threads of the multi-threaded application in the system at least in part to increase execution overlap of the threads, wherein at least one of the threads is associated with the application activities executing in the system based, at least in part, on the availability of the buffer;

dynamically adjust one or more of the frequency or the voltage applied to the processor based, at least <u>in part</u>, on the state of the application and the state of availability of the buffer and the coordination of the dispatch of the threads; and

dynamically adjust the buffer size based, at least in part, on the state of the application and the state of the threads in the system adjusted voltage or frequency applied to the processor and the coordination of the dispatch of the threads.

40. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 39, wherein said coordinating dispatch of the threads in the system of the multi-threaded application includes delaying a ready-to-be-dispatched activity from being dispatched.

41-43. (Cancelled)

44. (Currently Amended) A system, comprising:

a multi-threading processor, and

a resource manager coupled to the multi-threading processor, the resource manager is to monitor states of a[[n]] <u>multi-threaded</u> application running in the system, the states of the application including buffer fullness levels of one or more buffers used by the application, the

resource manager is to further monitor states of a plurality of the threads of the application in

the system for execution readiness, wherein the resource manager is to

increase or decrease resources available in the system depending on the state of

the application and/or the states of the threads in the system, and.

change the execution readiness of a thread from a ready state to a queued

state to increase subsequent thread execution overlap with execution of another

thread based, at least in part, on the buffer fullness levels.

45. (Cancelled).

46. (Currently Amended) The system of claim [[44]]45, wherein the resource manager is to

further change the execution readiness of a thread from a ready state to a queued state to

increase subsequent system idle time when there is no thread execution.

47. (Original) The system of claim 46, wherein the resource manager is to increase or

decrease the resources available in the system to avoid buffer underflow or overflow conditions

to occur to the one or more buffers.

48. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a processor capable of simultaneous multi-threading, the processor having logic to

monitor states of a[[n]] multi-threaded application running in a system, the states of the

application including buffer fullness levels of one or more buffers used by the application;

logic to monitor states of a plurality of the threads of the application in the system for execution readiness;

logic to adjust resources available in the system depending on the state of the application and/or the states of the threads in the system and to adjust the available resources in the system includes logic to determine if the buffer fullness levels of one or more buffers are in a critical stage; and

a memory to store the logic.

49. (Original) The apparatus of claim 48, further comprising:

logic to change the execution readiness of a thread from a ready state to a queued state when it is determined that there is no other thread running or ready to be dispatched.

50. (Cancelled).